



**MONTHLY REPORT**  
**By**  
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**INTRODUCTION:**

The monthly report is a monthly update of the activities of the City of Riverside Community Police Review Commission and gives the staff a chance to pass on information that they feel is important or noteworthy. The information provided in the twelve monthly reports forms the basis for the annual report.

**COMMISSION COMMITTEES:**

The commissioners have formed three ad hoc committees. The first, chaired by Commission Chairperson Jack Brewer, is charged with developing new procedures regarding the investigation and review of Officer-Involved Shooting cases. The second, chaired by Commission Vice-Chair Mike Gardner, is charged with reviewing the city ordinance that created the Commission as well as the current policies and procedures of the Commission and suggesting any updates. The third, chaired by Commissioner Bill Floyd, is charged with developing guidelines regarding when to use our contract investigators. The product of each committee will be brought to the Commission as a whole when it is complete.

**CITY COUNCIL REVIEW:**

The Governmental Affairs Committee for the City Council has scheduled the review of the Community Police Review Commission for Thursday, May 2, 2002. The results of that review will be published in next month's monthly report.

**NEW COMMISSIONERS:**

The City Council named a new commissioner and an alternate to the Commission in April. The new commissioner is Les Davidson. Les is the CEO of USA-FACT, a firm that specializes in drug screening and background investigations. The alternate is Bill O'Meara. Bill is retired from the Orange County Sheriff's Department and is a board member for the Youth Accountability Board for Riverside Probation.

**OUTREACH:**

The Executive Director and Chairperson attended April's Mayor's Night Out. There they passed out survey cards and had an excellent response rate. The respondents strongly supported the concept of the Commission and said that it was a worthwhile endeavor.

**WORKLOAD:****Cases Received**

Lodged*	Filed/CPRC	Filed/P.D.
1	1	8

\* A complaint is considered Lodged when a citizen makes the complaint to the CPRC and is filed when they actually submit the completed complaint form.

**Case Dispositions**

Cases Reviewed	Inquiries	Administratively Closed **
9	0	0

\*\* Complainants are given 30 days to return the paperwork before a closure letter is sent. The closure letter advises the complainants that the case will be re-opened if they submit the completed paperwork before the 6-month deadline.

**Allegations**

U/F	Disc/SH	IDF	ISS	FA	FR	CC	MC
2	0	0	0	0	0	0	30

U/F = Use of Force, Disc/SH = Discrimination/Sexual Harassment, IDF = Improper Discharge of Firearms, ISS = Illegal Search or Seizure, FA = False Arrest, FR = False Reporting, CC = Criminal Conduct, MC = Misconduct

**Findings**

Unfounded	Exonerated	Not Sustained	Sustained	Misconduct Noted
13	13	5	1	0

**Referrals**

Personnel Complaints	Service Complaints
0	0

**Policy Recommendations**

There was 1 policy recommendations made by the Commission for the month of April '02. The Commission recommended that the Department modify all existing policies pertaining to the interviewing or photographing of victims or witnesses to remind officers that, whenever possible, they should have another officer or a family member present to avoid being placed in a compromising situation.